

## GOLFING NEWS AND NOTES.

**THE TEAM MATCH BETWEEN BOSTON  
AND NEW YORK ARRANGED.**

July's lack of blasting sunshine and the abundant rainfall have been welcome weather conditions to the greenkeepers, and all the links in the New York group are in spick-and-span order. The drought during the last half of June hardened the turf and made the ground bare in spots on some of the hilly links, but July

changed this state of things for the better. The situation is exactly the reverse in Great Britain, where the drought which has prevailed, which has proved disastrous to many of the crops in the south, H. H. Hilton, the amateur champion of 1892, who conducts a golfing department for the London *Sporting Chronicle*, states that Hoylake, Wallasey, Hill Road, and Farmby have all been dry and burnt up, in different degrees, while St. Anne's, which suffers in the wet weather, has reaped the advantage in the present season. At St. Andrew's and at Sandwich wells are sunk near the dunes green - which are most likely to suffer in the dry season, an experiment which was found

to be very successful in the time of drought. W. O. Cutting, president of the same plant, says that his new line at Islip, but improved forms of pumps, with lengths of hose, will be used there, instead of wells. Each pump will water its bunker and the nearest putting green. The Westbrook Club, by the way, began its season with success yesterday on the Cutting links. Following the Morris County Golf Club style, the caddies have all been neatly uniformed. Mr. Hilton says that the present presumption that the open championship will be played at the lake next year is incorrect, as at the Muirfield

meeting, in 1897, it was arranged that the contest should take place at Hoylake in 1897, and he thinks that Muirfield will be the place next year.

At the Newport match on Saturday, A. M. Coates handed in the best card, with an amateur record for the course of 92. He is virtually a Brookline Country Club man, but belongs to a number of clubs. A record holder at Newport, Mr. Coates looms up into prominence for the amateur championships in October. William Lawrence, who beat Charles B. McDonald by one stroke, in the Newport unofficial champion-

ships, held last season, is now in France, and is not expected to return until this fall. This is a dangerous division, on form, C. B. McDonald, Chicago Golf Club; L. B. Stoddard (title holder), St. Andrews Golf Club; J. F. Gray, Shinnecock Hills Golf Club; and J. H. Taylor, who has never learned the game in Scotland or England.

It has been said in this column on prior occasions that golf form is an uncertain thing to bet upon. It is true, and the only way to insure a good first place safe between them, it may be that the "good thing" may be upset by a native-born golfer who never saw a club until two years ago. A case in point is the case of the golfer what is technically termed "sleeping on the links" with this commendable aim in view.

The Lenox Golf Club, with the ardor of youth, has had a hard time of it in the matter of being decided at its September tournament, \$300 to

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ounded that the players would play, and the referee was given his choice in the matter, although the captains were consulted. The two captains, too, on the day of the match, divide the players off into pairs, and the winning and losing scores on each card are added up, and the side having lost, is given the right to choose the next day's match, different from giving the game to the side which has won. When the St. Andrew's men played at Brookline last season, for instance, the match was all over in 10 minutes, and the players of the other team and Livermore his by 2 up. Barnes, the last St. Andrew's player, was beaten by 7 up, however. The average score of the last 10 matches of rounds was 2 to 1 in favor of St. Andrew's, and the players of the other team then to match the men as evenly as possible.

Rogers, David G. Henderson, A. L. Livermore, J. B. Upham, J. C. Ten Eyck, W. R. Inia, James Park, G. H. Armstrong, E. R. Kern, Dr. Wm. Moffat, and W. H. Sands are mentioned. Who the Boston men are cannot be known until Capt. Lawrence Curtis makes his announcement, but it is expected that it will include John D. Long, George F. Ruggles, H. Bennett, Quincy A. Shaw, A. M. Costa, Herbert C. Leeds, and J. Watson Merrill.

Among those who must bet the odds quoted are \$100 to \$75 in favor of the New York team. To beat the odds, they had to win at St. Paul, despite, however, for when Willy Campbell was at St. Andrew's, when he met Park, the

Boston Link keeper said he had four men in training  
 who were watching the ratings and in question  
 "there's never a minute when Willie isn't in  
 it," but the St. Andrew's men are undimaged.  
 During the week the grounds of the South  
 Shore Country Club were formally opened, and golf  
 links are to be laid out. The officers of the club  
 are: President, Harry O. Nicholas; Vice-Presi-  
 dent, C. F. Frothingham; Treasurer, Robert  
 C. F. Frothingham; Secretary, Walter L. O'Brien,  
 and Directors: C. Dubois Wagstaff, Col.  
 Alfred Wagstaff, Nelson G. Carman, Malcolm  
 W. Ford, Woodruff Sutton, Jr., Phoenix Rem-

borned, and it is now the Judith Country Club, at Narragansett Pier, golf divides the interest with polo, bicycling, and weekly gymkhana sports. A result of the rapid growth of golf clubs is that there is not enough grassland. A \$20 a week, to which a neat sum may be added by giving lessons and fixing up clubs and balls. Good men cannot be had from Scotland for such wages and conditions. The club has a fine clubhouse, and the members picked up an idea of the game as caddies, and about the clubs in other capacities, might find it worth while to apply for the vacant places. Every new club wants a man.

to be started at the Morris Park racetrack. The place is splendidly adapted for a club country, and the Morris Park Club, which is a recent pleasure resort of the country residents, but the club, to be a success, must not be merely a pretext to cover turf and polo. The club would have the right to use the links laid out by John A. Morris in 1894. They are still in good shape, it is said.

A team match, four on a side, between the Morris County Golf Club and the Tuxedo Club, will be played on the Morris links on Monday. Dr. E. C. Rushmore, Pierre Lorillard, Jr., Phil Allen, and E. C. Kent will play for Tuxedo and Morris. Morris will have John A. Morris, Jr., Messers, Shipp, Phelps, Flag, Chapman, Frost, and Kip. The beautiful Morrisown course is well adapted for a golf course of this sort, and the links are in excellent condition.

**A Prominent Horseman Seriously Hurt.**  
MEXICO, Mo., Aug. 3.—Col. A. E. Frost, a prominent horseman of this State and Illinois, was seriously hurt at the Fair grounds this morning. He was driving Bennie McGregor, 2:13 1/2, in a road watch in a show ring when the vehicle was overturned and he was thrown out. At first it was thought he was killed, but he revived, and is now confined in the room at the Hotel Col. Geo. F. Smith, near the fair grounds. He is from Red House, Ill., and is known in horse circles all over the country. He resides

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